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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Please ~~cancel~~ claims 1-10 and 12.

Please add the following new claims:

--13. A method for detecting an oligonucleotide in a
bodily fluid or extract, consisting of the steps of:

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